

based specifically upon their reputation for excellence and a rigorous evaluation of their progress in 12 key school improvement strategies. The review showed above all else that the school is accurately meeting the needs and expectations of today's students. I would like to offer a special thanks to Principal Brad Stanley for his inspiring leadership and robust commitment to the education of our nation's and the Commonwealth's future. With this competent captain at the helm, Daviess County High School will surely experience smooth sailing ahead.

I hope Daviess County High School is as proud of this accomplishment as I am. This award highly reflects upon not only the students and faculty but also the overall community and its dedication to its children. I thank you all for working towards a better educated Kentucky. ●

#### RECOGNIZING SARAH CONN AND JEWELL OF WINCHESTER, KENTUCKY

● Mr. BUNNING. Madam President, I have the distinct honor today of recognizing the recent accomplishments of Sarah Conn and Jewell, both residents of Winchester, KY.

At this year's 126th Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show held in New York City, 12-year-old Sarah Conn and her graceful Boston Terrier, Jewell, put on quite a performance, taking Best in Breed and winning the prestigious Open Junior Handler title. In winning Best in Breed, Sarah amazingly bested a woman who has been showing Boston Terriers for an astonishing 50 years and a man who is rated the top handler in the Boston Terrier category. Sarah and Jewell rose to the occasion, overcoming all obstacles to prove that they do indeed belong at the top.

Sarah and Jewell have obviously worked extremely hard to earn this honorable distinction and deserve our praise for their diligent efforts. I know that the people of Winchester as well as the people of the Commonwealth of Kentucky are proud of their achievements. I finally ask my colleagues to join me in thanking Sarah and Jewell for proudly representing the Commonwealth of Kentucky in this year's Westminster Dog Show. ●

#### MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Ms. Evans, one of his secretaries.

#### EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

#### MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 12:03 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Hays, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 1542. An act to deregulate the Internet and high speed data services, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that pursuant to section 112 of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7412), the Speaker has appointed the following member on the part of the House to the Board of Directors of the National Urban Air Toxics Research Center to fill the existing vacancy thereon: Mr. Hans P. Blascheck of Champaign, Illinois.

At 12:32 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolutions, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 311. Concurrent resolution recognizing the Civil Air Patrol for 60 years of service to the United States.

H. Con. Res. 335. Concurrent resolution recognizing the significance of Black History Month and the contributions of Black Americans as a significant part of the history, progress, and heritage of the United States.

The message also announced that the House has disagreed to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 2646) to provide for the continuation of agricultural programs through fiscal year 2011, and agrees to the conference asked by the Senate on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon; and appoints the following Members as the managers of the conference on the part of the House:

From the Committee on Agriculture, for consideration of the House bill and the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Mr. COMBEST, Mr. BOEHNER, Mr. GOODLATTE, Mr. POMBO, Mr. EVERETT, Mr. LUCAS of Oklahoma, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. MORAN of Kansas, Mr. STENHOLM, Mr. CONDIT, Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota, Mr. DOOLEY of California, Mrs. CLAYTON, and Mr. HOLDEN.

The message further announced that the House has disagreed to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 3448) to improve the ability of the United States to prevent, prepare for, and respond to bioterrorism and other public health emergencies, and agree to the conference asked by the Senate on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon; and that the following Members be the managers of the conference on the part of the House.

From the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for consideration of the House bill and the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to con-

ference: Mr. TAUZIN, Mr. BILIRAKIS, Mr. GILLMOR, Mr. BURR of North Carolina, Mr. SHIMKUS, Mr. DINGELL, Mr. WAXMAN, and Mr. BROWN of Ohio: Provided, that Mr. PALLONE is appointed in lieu of Mr. BROWN of Ohio for consideration of title IV of the House bill, and modifications committed to conference.

From the Committee on Agriculture, for consideration of title II of the House bill and section 216 and title V of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Mr. COMBEST, Mr. LUCAS of Oklahoma, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. STENHOLM, and Mr. HOLDEN.

From the Committee on the Judiciary, for consideration of title II of the House bill and sections 216 and 401 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Mr. SENSENBRENNER, Mr. SMITH of Texas, and Mr. CONYERS.

#### MEASURES REFERRED

The following bill was read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 1542. An act to deregulate the Internet and high speed data services, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

The following concurrent resolutions were read, and referred as indicated:

H. Con. Res. 311. Concurrent resolution recognizing the Civil Air Patrol for 60 years of service to the United States; to the Committee on Armed Services.

H. Con. Res. 335. Concurrent resolution recognizing the significance of Black History Month and the contributions of Black Americans as a significant part of the history, progress, and heritage of the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

#### MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill was read the second time on February 27, 2002, and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 2356. An act to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to provide bipartisan campaign reform.

#### EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, which were referred as indicated:

EC-5558. A communication from the Acting General Counsel, National Endowment for the Humanities, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a vacancy and a nomination confirmed for the position of Chairman of the National Endowment for the Humanities, received on February 1, 2002; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5559. A communication from the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Board's semiannual Monetary Policy Report dated February 27, 2002; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5560. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator of the